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THE OTTAWA CONFERENCE

Ottawa, Canada, will in all probability be the meeting place for the 1912 conference of the A. L. A., and the date will probably be the last week in June. The Chateau Laurier, the new hotel, on the completion of which depends our meeting in Ottawa, is making satisfactory progress and the authorities have given the officers of the Association every possible assurance that it will be ready in time. The Saguenay River seems to be the unanimous choice for a post-conference trip, and a three or four days journey by special chartered steamer to the head of navigation, with a day at Montreal and another at Quebec, with shorter stops at other points of interest, will undoubtedly be arranged. The secre-

tary and the travel committee are fortunate to have the co-operation of Mr. C. H. Gould, who, by virtue of his location at Montreal and his successful conduct of a similar outing following the Montreal conference of 1900, is in a peculiarly fortunate position to render exceedingly valuable service. More extended plans and detailed information may be looked for in the March Bulletin.

COLLEGE LIBRARIANS AT A. L. A. CONFERENCE OF 1912

The secretary of the A. L. A. recently sent a circular letter to the librarians of 135 of the leading college and university libraries in the United States and Canada respecting the A. L. A. conference of 1912. The letter stated that this conference would probably be held at Ottawa, Canada, and that the Executive Board desired to arrange a date that would be convenient for the librarians and assistants of the college and university libraries. Information was requested on the following points:

1. Date college closes for summer of 1912.
2. State your preference for date of conference (6 days).
3. Will librarian probably attend if date is convenient?
4. How many other members of staff will probably attend if date is convenient?

Librarians may be interested to see the result of this questionnaire.

Replies received	83
Colleges closing not later than June 21..	73
Prefer conference between June 21 and July 5.....	41
Prefer conference before June 20.....	9
Prefer conference later in July	6
Prefer conference in August.....	5
No preference for date of conference....	22
Librarians who state intention to be present	52
Other members of staff probably present	71 to 89

We regret that of the 135 librarians addressed only 62 per cent have found it convenient to reply, but from the returns received it is clear that the last of June or first of July are the most popular dates for